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Applicant	:	Carter et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1644
Appl. No.	:	08/779,457)	I hereby certify that this correspondence and marked attachments are being deposited in the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on
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For	:	WSX RECEPTOR AGONIST ANTIBODIES)	August 9, 2001 (Date)
Examiner	:	G. Ewoldt)	Adel Akhtar, Reg. No. 41,394

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 13, 2001 (Paper No. 32), setting a one-month term for reply, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 30-33.

The Election/Restriction Requirement

Applicants were requested to elect, for examination purposes, the claims of one of Groups I and II as listed on page 2 of the Office Action. The claims of group I (claims 1-12 and 22-29), drawn to a method of identifying an antibody are hereby elected with traverse. Claims 30-33 have been canceled to reflect this election.